

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached Replacement Sheets of drawings include changes to Figures 1, 3 and 4.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets 1, 3 and 4 are attached to the end of this response.

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 17 are now pending in the application. Minor amendments have been made to the specification and the claims to simply overcome the objections as stated by the Examiner. The minor amendments to the specification and the claims are intended to satisfy the objections by the Examiner but are otherwise equivalent in scope to the disclosure as originally filed and, thus, do not contain new matter. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the objections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner states that Claims 1 – 17 would be allowable if amended to overcome the objections as stated by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants have amended the Claims as set forth and, as such, the claims should now be in condition for allowance.

OBJECTIONS TO DRAWINGS

The drawings stand objected to for certain informalities. Applicants have attached revised drawings for the Examiner's approval, which intend to satisfy the objections by the Examiner. In the Replacement Sheets

In Replacement Sheet 1, reference characters have been added to clarify the illustrations association with the written description.

In Replacement Sheets 3 and 4, amendments have been made to clarify what is illustrated with the written description.

OBJECTIONS TO SPECIFICATION

The specification stands objected to for failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter. Applicants have amended the specification to clarify support for the claimed subject matter. Accordingly, support for the amendments may be found in the amended paragraph [0025] as filed and, as such, no new matter is presented.

OBJECTIONS TO CLAIMS

Claim 5 has been amended to clarify support for Claim 5 in the written description.

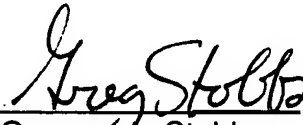
Claims 1 – 4 and 6 – 17 have been amended to clarify antecedent basis in the Claims as originally filed.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the objections have been properly accommodated. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding objections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is always invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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